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## **Community Meeting about Gangs**

The Work Group on Gang-Related Crime invites community members to attend a community meeting to discuss gang activity and gang-related violence in their community on Monday, September 10 from 4:00 PM until 6:00 PM at the Spokane County Sheriff's Office Training Building on the Spokane Community College Campus (1810 N Greene Street, Building #7, Spokane WA 99217).

What: Community Meeting about Gangs

Who: Work Group on Gang-Related Crime

When: Monday, September 10, 4:00 PM until 6:00 PM

Where: Spokane County Sheriff's Office Training Building

**Spokane Community College Campus** 

Building #7

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## Background

The Work Group on Gang-Related Crime was created by the Washington State Legislature through SB 5987, passed in the 2007 legislative session. SB 5987 directed the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to coordinate a group of legislatively appointed gang experts to evaluate gang-related crime in our state. The work group consists of legislators, prosecutors, local law enforcement, criminal defense attorneys, court administrators, experts in gang or delinquency prevention including the Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, and prison administrators and probation officers.

The Work Group is charged with evaluating and making recommendations to the Legislature regarding additional legislative measures to combat gang-related crime, the creation of a statewide gang information database, possible reforms to the juvenile justice system for gang-related juvenile offenses, best practices for prevention and intervention of youth gang membership, and the adoption of legislation authorizing a civil antigang injunction.

The Work Group will hold its third regular business meeting on September 10 from 10:00 AM until approximately 4:00 PM and September 11 from 9:00 AM until approximately 3:00 PM at the Spokane County Sheriff's Office Training Building on the Spokane Community College Campus.

## Contact

For more information or special assistance, including interpreters, please contact the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs Work Group on Gang-Related Crime Project Manager, James McMahan, at <a href="mailto:james@waspc.org">james@waspc.org</a> or at (360) 486-2380.